

CALL TO ORDER:

President Miller calls to order the Village of East Dundee Committee of the Whole meeting at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustees Lynam, Selep, Wood and President Miller. Trustees Gorman, Skillicorn and Ruffulo were absent.

Also in attendance: Village Administrator Bob Skurla, Deputy Village Administrator/Village Clerk Heather Maieritsch and Deputy Village Clerk/Administrative Asst. Katherine Holt.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only): None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Purchase and Rehabilitation of the Former Pour House Bar & Restaurant

George Arsoniadis stated that he has been in the restaurant business for the past three decades. He said he has been involved in ventures with such restaurants as Alexander's, Uncle Paul's, Lefty's, Elliot's, Village Squire and Rookies. In College, he specialized in taxation. He said he saw the need in the Dundee area for a 1920s prohibition style Speak Easy Restaurant. He said the Former Pour House building at 102 N. River Street resembles that era. He plans to have a menu for lunch and dinner which would include healthy and organic meats, salads, seafood, pastas, comfort food specials and liquor.. The hours of service will run from 10am until 10pm or 11pm during the week and open until midnights on the weekends. 70% of the sales will be from food and 30% will be from liquor. Seating will accommodate 175-185 people between the two units. He plans to open the establishment in three months. He may consider having video gaming if customer demand pushes for it. President Miller said that Mr. Arsoniadis is asking for a TIF recapture of \$40,000 a year for six years or 30% of the actual cost. Village Administrator Bob Skurla advised that Mr. Arsoniadis is asking for \$40,000 for façade grant reimbursement or 50% of the actual cost. He is also requesting a four year payout instead of six years. The Board is in consensus to move forward. The Village Attorney will draft a redevelopment agreement to be presented at the Village Board meeting on December 16.

B. Proposed Village Fee Schedule

Bob Skurla advised that there were some changes to the fee schedule. Deputy Village Administrator/Village Clerk Heather Maieritsch explained that items are adjusted or re-evaluated in the fee schedule annually. She explained some of the fee changes where the Village was expending more funds on items that were costing more than what the Village was charging out. She also explained some code language changes that tied into the fee schedules. The Board is in consensus to move forward.

Reports: VILLAGE TRUSTEES

Ruffulo: N/A

Gorman: N/A

Lynam: Trustee Lynam said that the River Street decorations were a big improvement from last year. He also wanted to thank Mr. Roeser for displaying his nativity scene at the North end of the Depot.

Selep: Trustee Selep said that his family loved the Dickens in Dundee festivities as well as everyone else he had spoken to that attended.

Wood: Trustee Wood said that the Dickens in Dundee event was wonderful. She mentioned that she will now need to begin planning for Heritage Fest.

Skillicorn: N/A

Reports: VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR and STAFF

Village Administrator: Skurla reported that he has received positive feedback on the gas card incentive program from the gas stations and the auto dealerships. He also said that River Haven Drive is now officially open and that Mr. Bergman will take care of the snow removal this year at River Haven. He also mentioned that the new fire station roof is almost complete.

Village Attorney: N/A

Village Engineer: N/A

Public Works Director: N/A

Village President: Miller said that the Dickens in Dundee was wonderful and thanked all who helped out with the event.

Chief of Police: N/A

Economic Development Consultant: Bergren reported that the Elgin Buick dealership looked into relocating to East Dundee. However, Corporate would not allow for this because of a household income demographic decision by Buick.

Finance Director: None

Downtown Marketing Director: Blair said that there is a meeting on December 12 with the business owners to recap Dickens in Dundee. She wanted to publicly acknowledge the downtown businesses for their efforts with Dickens in Dundee. She thanked OTTO for their donation of space, time, signage and manpower at 316 River Street. She thanked Al Piemonte for donating \$200 Amazon gift cards for the gingerbread house contest winners. Lastly, she thanked Van's Custard, Diamond Jim's, The Anvil Club, Meet Market, Piece-A-Cake Bakery and all other participating business owners for their help and donations. She mentioned that the newsletter is being finalized and will be sent to print this week. She will send an electronic copy to the Board for review per their request.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Non Agenda Items):

Tara Jacobsen – 15N615 Elgin Avenue, East Dundee, IL

Ms. Jacobsen wanted to follow up on her concern regarding the Elgin Avenue project and losing the shoulder of the road in front of her property. President Miller replied that he drove over to her residence earlier today and parked in her driveway. He said that her driveway is rather long and has room for several cars to park in it and is confused as to what the issue is. Ms. Jacobsen said that her concern is pulling out of the driveway onto Elgin Avenue and having no shoulder to pull out onto. She said she doesn't understand the purpose for the curb that was built in place of the shoulder. President Miller replied that in order to meet state and federal guidelines to receive federal funding, curbs were required to be built on that roadway. He said he had no visibility issues backing out of her driveway onto Elgin Avenue. He advised that he will request that the speed limit be reduced in that area from 40mph to 30mph. He said he would be in touch with her after speaking further with the Village Engineers to see if there are any other recommendations they may have.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None


Motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 6:37 pm by Lynam/Wood.

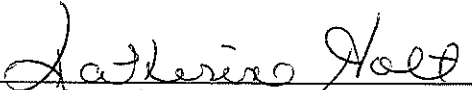
Roll: Ayes – 6 – Trustees Lynam, Selep, Gorman, Skillicorn, Wood and President Miller. Nays – 0.

Absent – 1 – Trustee Ruffulo. Motion carries, meeting adjourns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Holt

By: 
Village President, Lael Miller

Attest: 
Deputy Village Clerk, Katherine Holt